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To increase public safety by facilitating collaboration among the criminal justice, juvenile justice, veterans treatment services, mental health treatment, and substance abuse systems.

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Mr. COLLINS of Georgia (for himself, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. LANCE, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. JENKINS of Kansas, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. UPTON, Mr. HONDA, Mr. LOEBSACK, and Mr. ASHFORD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

To increase public safety by facilitating collaboration among the criminal justice, juvenile justice, veterans treatment services, mental health treatment, and substance abuse systems.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Comprehensive Justice  
5       and Mental Health Act of 2015”.

**1 SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

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**3 SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds the following:

5 (1) An estimated 2,000,000 individuals with se-  
6 rious mental illnesses are booked into jails each  
7 year, resulting in prevalence rates of serious mental  
8 illness in jails that are 3 to 6 times higher than in  
9 the general population. An even greater number of  
10 individuals who are detained in jails each year have  
11 mental health problems that do not rise to the level  
12 of a serious mental illness but may still require a re-  
13 source-intensive response.

14 (2) Adults with mental illnesses cycle through  
15 jails more often than individuals without mental ill-  
16 nesses, and tend to stay longer (including before  
17 trial, during trial, and after sentencing).

1                             (3) According to estimates, almost ¾ of jail de-  
2 tainees with serious mental illnesses have co-occur-  
3 ring substance use disorders, and individuals with  
4 mental illnesses are also much more likely to have  
5 serious physical health needs.

6                             (4) Among individuals under probation super-  
7 vision, individuals with mental disorders are nearly  
8 twice as likely as other individuals to have their  
9 community sentence revoked, furthering their in-  
10 volvement in the criminal justice system. Reasons  
11 for revocation may be directly or indirectly related to  
12 an individual's mental disorder.

13 **SEC. 4. SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT MODEL.**

14                             (a) REDESIGNATION.—Section 2991 of the Omnibus  
15 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C.  
16 3797aa) is amended by redesignating subsection (i) as  
17 subsection (n).

18                             (b) SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT MODEL.—Section 2991  
19 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of  
20 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa) is amended by inserting after  
21 subsection (h) the following:

22                             “(i) SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT GRANTS.—

23                                 “(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term  
24 ‘eligible entity’ means a State, unit of local govern-  
25 ment, Indian tribe, or tribal organization.

1                 “(2) AUTHORIZATION.—The Attorney General  
2       may make grants under this subsection to an eligible  
3       entity for sequential intercept mapping and imple-  
4       mentation in accordance with paragraph (3).

5                 “(3) SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT MAPPING; IMPLE-  
6       MENTATION.—An eligible entity that receives a  
7       grant under this subsection may use funds for—

8                     “(A) sequential intercept mapping,  
9                     which—

10                     “(i) shall consist of—

11                     “(I) convening mental health and  
12                     criminal justice stakeholders to—

13                     “(aa) develop a shared un-  
14                     derstanding of the flow of justice-  
15                     involved individuals with mental  
16                     illnesses through the criminal  
17                     justice system; and

18                     “(bb) identify opportunities  
19                     for improved collaborative re-  
20                     sponses to the risks and needs of  
21                     individuals described in item  
22                     (aa); and

23                     “(II) developing strategies to ad-  
24                     dress gaps in services and bring inno-

1 vative and effective programs to scale  
2 along multiple intercepts, including—  
3 “(aa) emergency and crisis  
4 services;  
5 “(bb) specialized police-  
6 based responses;  
7 “(cc) court hearings and dis-  
8 position alternatives;  
9 “(dd) reentry from jails and  
10 prisons; and  
11 “(ee) community super-  
12 vision, treatment and support  
13 services; and  
14 “(ii) may serve as a starting point for  
15 the development of strategic plans to  
16 achieve positive public health and safety  
17 outcomes; and  
18 “(B) implementation, which shall—  
19 “(i) be derived from the strategic  
20 plans described in subparagraph (A)(ii);  
21 and  
22 “(ii) consist of—  
23 “(I) hiring and training per-  
24 sonnel;

1                         “(II) identifying the eligible enti-  
2                         ty’s target population;  
3                         “(III) providing services and sup-  
4                         ports to reduce unnecessary penetra-  
5                         tion into the criminal justice system;  
6                         “(IV) reducing recidivism;  
7                         “(V) evaluating the impact of the  
8                         eligible entity’s approach; and  
9                         “(VI) planning for the sustain-  
10                         ability of effective interventions.”.

11 **SEC. 5. VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS.**

12                         Section 2991 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe  
13                         Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa) is amended by  
14                         inserting after subsection (i), as so added by section 4,  
15                         the following:

16                         “(j) ASSISTING VETERANS.—

17                         “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

18                         “(A) PEER TO PEER SERVICES OR PRO-  
19                         GRAMS.—The term ‘peer to peer services or  
20                         programs’ means services or programs that con-  
21                         nect qualified veterans with other veterans for  
22                         the purpose of providing support and  
23                         mentorship to assist qualified veterans in ob-  
24                         taining treatment, recovery, stabilization, or re-  
25                         habilitation.

1                 “(B) QUALIFIED VETERAN.—The term  
2                 ‘qualified veteran’ means a preliminarily qualifi-  
3                 fied offender who—

4                         “(i) served on active duty in any  
5                 branch of the Armed Forces, including the  
6                 National Guard or Reserves; and

7                         “(ii) was discharged or released from  
8                 such service under conditions other than  
9                 dishonorable.

10                 “(C) VETERANS TREATMENT COURT PRO-  
11                 GRAM.—The term ‘veterans treatment court  
12                 program’ means a court program involving col-  
13                 laboration among criminal justice, veterans, and  
14                 mental health and substance abuse agencies  
15                 that provides qualified veterans with—

16                         “(i) intensive judicial supervision and  
17                 case management, which may include ran-  
18                 dom and frequent drug testing where ap-  
19                 propriate;

20                         “(ii) a full continuum of treatment  
21                 services, including mental health services,  
22                 substance abuse services, medical services,  
23                 and services to address trauma;

24                         “(iii) alternatives to incarceration;  
25                 and

1                     “(iv) other appropriate services, in-  
2                     cluding housing, transportation, mentoring,  
3                     employment, job training, education, and  
4                     assistance in applying for and obtaining  
5                     available benefits.

6                     “(2) VETERANS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.—

7                     “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General,  
8                     in consultation with the Secretary of Veterans  
9                     Affairs, may award grants under this sub-  
10                    section to applicants to establish or expand—

11                    “(i) veterans treatment court pro-  
12                    grams;

13                    “(ii) peer to peer services or programs  
14                    for qualified veterans;

15                    “(iii) practices that identify and pro-  
16                    vide treatment, rehabilitation, legal, transi-  
17                    tional, and other appropriate services to  
18                    qualified veterans who have been incarcera-  
19                    ted; and

20                    “(iv) training programs to teach  
21                    criminal justice, law enforcement, correc-  
22                    tions, mental health, and substance abuse  
23                    personnel how to identify and appro-  
24                    priately respond to incidents involving  
25                    qualified veterans.

1                 “(B) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants  
2                 under this subsection, the Attorney General  
3                 shall give priority to applications that—

4                     “(i) demonstrate collaboration be-  
5                 tween and joint investments by criminal  
6                 justice, mental health, substance abuse,  
7                 and veterans service agencies;

8                     “(ii) promote effective strategies to  
9                 identify and reduce the risk of harm to  
10                 qualified veterans and public safety; and

11                     “(iii) propose interventions with em-  
12                 pirical support to improve outcomes for  
13                 qualified veterans.”.

14 **SEC. 6. PRISON AND JAILS.**

15                 Section 2991 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe  
16                 Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa) is amended by  
17                 inserting after subsection (j), as so added by section 5,  
18                 the following:

19                     “(k) CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.—

20                     “(1) DEFINITIONS.—

21                     “(A) CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.—The term  
22                 ‘correctional facility’ means a jail, prison, or  
23                 other detention facility used to house people  
24                 who have been arrested, detained, held, or con-  
25                 victed by a criminal justice agency or a court.

1                 “(B) ELIGIBLE INMATE.—The term ‘eligible  
2                 inmate’ means an individual who—

3                         “(i) is being held, detained, or incarcerated in a correctional facility; and

4                         “(ii) manifests obvious signs of a  
5                 mental illness or has been diagnosed by a  
6                 qualified mental health professional as having  
7                 a mental illness.

8                 “(2) CORRECTIONAL FACILITY GRANTS.—The  
9                 Attorney General may award grants to applicants to  
10                 enhance the capabilities of a correctional facility—

11                         “(A) to identify and screen for eligible inmates;

12                         “(B) to plan and provide—

13                                 “(i) initial and periodic assessments of  
14                 the clinical, medical, and social needs of inmates; and

15                                 “(ii) appropriate treatment and services that address the mental health and  
16                 substance abuse needs of inmates;

17                         “(C) to develop, implement, and enhance—

18                                 “(i) post-release transition plans for  
19                 eligible inmates that, in a comprehensive  
20                 manner, coordinate health, housing, med-

1           ical, employment, and other appropriate  
2           services and public benefits;

3           “(ii) the availability of mental health  
4           care services and substance abuse treat-  
5           ment services; and

6           “(iii) alternatives to solitary confine-  
7           ment and segregated housing and mental  
8           health screening and treatment for inmates  
9           placed in solitary confinement or seg-  
10          regated housing; and

11          “(D) to train each employee of the correc-  
12          tional facility to identify and appropriately re-  
13          spond to incidents involving inmates with men-  
14          tal health or co-occurring mental health and sub-  
15          stance abuse disorders.”.

16 **SEC. 7. ALLOWABLE USES.**

17          Section 2991(b)(5)(I) of the Omnibus Crime Control  
18          and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa(b)(5)(I))  
19          is amended by adding at the end the following:

20           “(v) TEAMS ADDRESSING FREQUENT  
21           USERS OF CRISIS SERVICES.—Multidisci-  
22           plinary teams that—

23           “(I) coordinate, implement, and  
24           administer community-based crisis re-

1           responses and long-term plans for fre-  
2           quent users of crisis services;

3           “(II) provide training on how to  
4           respond appropriately to the unique  
5           issues involving frequent users of cri-  
6           sis services for public service per-  
7           sonnel, including criminal justice,  
8           mental health, substance abuse, emer-  
9           gency room, healthcare, law enforce-  
10          ment, corrections, and housing per-  
11          sonnel;

12          “(III) develop or support alter-  
13          natives to hospital and jail admissions  
14          for frequent users of crisis services  
15          that provide treatment, stabilization,  
16          and other appropriate supports in the  
17          least restrictive, yet appropriate, envi-  
18          ronment; and

19          “(IV) develop protocols and sys-  
20          tems among law enforcement, mental  
21          health, substance abuse, housing, cor-  
22          rections, and emergency medical serv-  
23          ice operations to provide coordinated  
24          assistance to frequent users of crisis  
25          services.”.

1   **SEC. 8. LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING.**

2       Section 2991(h) of the Omnibus Crime Control and  
3   Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa(h)) is amend-  
4   ed—

5               (1) in paragraph (1), by adding at the end the  
6   following:

7                   “(F) ACADEMY TRAINING.—To provide  
8   support for academy curricula, law enforcement  
9   officer orientation programs, continuing edu-  
10   cation training, and other programs that teach  
11   law enforcement personnel how to identify and  
12   respond to incidents involving persons with  
13   mental health disorders or co-occurring mental  
14   health and substance abuse disorders.”; and

15               (2) by adding at the end the following:

16                   “(4) PRIORITY CONSIDERATION.—The Attorney  
17   General, in awarding grants under this subsection,  
18   shall give priority to programs that law enforcement  
19   personnel and members of the mental health and  
20   substance abuse professions develop and administer  
21   cooperatively.”.

22   **SEC. 9. FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING.**

23       Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment  
24   of this Act, the Attorney General shall provide direction  
25   and guidance for the following:

1                             (1) TRAINING PROGRAMS.—Programs that offer  
2                             specialized and comprehensive training, in proce-  
3                             dures to identify and appropriately respond to inci-  
4                             dents in which the unique needs of individuals who  
5                             have a mental illness are involved, to first respond-  
6                             ers and tactical units of—

7                                 (A) Federal law enforcement agencies; and  
8                                 (B) other Federal criminal justice agencies  
9                             such as the Bureau of Prisons, the Administra-  
10                            tive Office of the United States Courts, and  
11                            other agencies that the Attorney General deter-  
12                            mines appropriate.

13                             (2) IMPROVED TECHNOLOGY.—The establish-  
14                            ment of, or improvement of existing, computerized  
15                            information systems to provide timely information to  
16                            employees of Federal law enforcement agencies, and  
17                            Federal criminal justice agencies to improve the re-  
18                            sponse of such employees to situations involving in-  
19                            dividuals who have a mental illness.

20 **SEC. 10. GAO REPORT.**

21                             No later than 1 year after the date of enactment of  
22                            this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States,  
23                            in coordination with the Attorney General, shall submit  
24                            to Congress a report on—

1                             (1) the practices that Federal first responders,  
2                             tactical units, and corrections officers are trained to  
3                             use in responding to individuals with mental illness;  
4                             (2) procedures to identify and appropriately re-  
5                             spond to incidents in which the unique needs of indi-  
6                             viduals who have a mental illness are involved, to  
7                             Federal first responders and tactical units;  
8                             (3) the application of evidence-based practices  
9                             in criminal justice settings to better address individ-  
10                            uals with mental illnesses; and  
11                             (4) recommendations on how the Department of  
12                             Justice can expand and improve information sharing  
13                             and dissemination of best practices.

14 **SEC. 11. EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICES.**

15                             Section 2991(c) of the Omnibus Crime Control and  
16                             Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa(c)) is amend-  
17                             ed—

18                             (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “or” at the  
19                             end;

20                             (2) by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-  
21                             graph (6); and

22                             (3) by inserting after paragraph (3), the fol-  
23                             lowing:

24                             “(4) propose interventions that have been  
25                             shown by empirical evidence to reduce recidivism;

1               “(5) when appropriate, use validated assess-  
2       ment tools to target preliminarily qualified offenders  
3       with a moderate or high risk of recidivism and a  
4       need for treatment and services; or”.

**5 SEC. 12. TRANSPARENCY, PROGRAM ACCOUNTABILITY,  
6 AND ENHANCEMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2991(a) of the Omnibus  
8 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C.  
9 3797aa(a)) is amended—

10 (1) in paragraph (7)—

14 (B) by striking “term ‘mental illness’  
15 means” and inserting “terms ‘mental illness’  
16 and ‘mental health disorder’ mean”; and

19               “(9) PRELIMINARILY QUALIFIED OFFENDER.—  
20               “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘prelimi-  
21               narily qualified offender’ means an adult or ju-  
22               venile accused of an offense who

1                   ness or co-occurring mental illness and  
2                   substance abuse disorders;

3                   “(II) manifests obvious signs of men-  
4                   tal illness or co-occurring mental illness  
5                   and substance abuse disorders during ar-  
6                   rest or confinement or before any court; or

7                   “(III) in the case of a veterans treat-  
8                   ment court provided under subsection (i),  
9                   has been diagnosed with, or manifests ob-  
10                  vious signs of, mental illness or a sub-  
11                  stance abuse disorder or co-occurring men-  
12                  tal illness and substance abuse disorder;

13                  “(ii) has been unanimously approved  
14                  for participation in a program funded  
15                  under this section by, when appropriate—

16                  “(I) the relevant—

17                  “(aa) prosecuting attorney;

18                  “(bb) defense attorney;

19                  “(cc) probation or correc-  
20                  tions official; and

21                  “(dd) judge; and

22                  “(II) a representative from the  
23                  relevant mental health agency de-  
24                  scribed in subsection (b)(5)(B)(i);

1                 “(iii) has been determined, by each  
2                 person described in clause (ii) who is in-  
3                 volved in approving the adult or juvenile  
4                 for participation in a program funded  
5                 under this section, to not pose a risk of vi-  
6                 olence to any person in the program, or  
7                 the public, if selected to participate in the  
8                 program; and

9                 “(iv) has not been charged with or  
10                 convicted of—

11                 “(I) any sex offense (as defined  
12                 in section 111 of the Sex Offender  
13                 Registration and Notification Act (42  
14                 U.S.C. 16911)) or any offense relat-  
15                 ing to the sexual exploitation of chil-  
16                 dren; or

17                 “(II) murder or assault with in-  
18                 tent to commit murder.

19                 “(B) DETERMINATION.—In determining  
20                 whether to designate a defendant as a prelimi-  
21                 narily qualified offender, the relevant pros-  
22                 ecuting attorney, defense attorney, probation or  
23                 corrections official, judge, and mental health or  
24                 substance abuse agency representative shall  
25                 take into account—

1                 “(i) whether the participation of the  
2                 defendant in the program would pose a  
3                 substantial risk of violence to the commu-  
4                 nity;

5                 “(ii) the criminal history of the de-  
6                 fendant and the nature and severity of the  
7                 offense for which the defendant is charged;

8                 “(iii) the views of any relevant victims  
9                 to the offense;

10                 “(iv) the extent to which the defend-  
11                 ant would benefit from participation in the  
12                 program;

13                 “(v) the extent to which the commu-  
14                 nity would realize cost savings because of  
15                 the defendant’s participation in the pro-  
16                 gram; and

17                 “(vi) whether the defendant satisfies  
18                 the eligibility criteria for program partici-  
19                 pation unanimously established by the rel-  
20                 evant prosecuting attorney, defense attor-  
21                 ney, probation or corrections official, judge  
22                 and mental health or substance abuse  
23                 agency representative.”.

24                 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—  
25                 Section 2927(2) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe

1 Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797s–6(2)) is amended  
2 by striking “has the meaning given that term in section  
3 2991(a).” and inserting “means an offense that—

4                 “(A) does not have as an element the use,  
5                 attempted use, or threatened use of physical  
6                 force against the person or property of another;

7                 or

8                 “(B) is not a felony that by its nature in-  
9                 volves a substantial risk that physical force  
10                 against the person or property of another may  
11                 be used in the course of committing the of-  
12                 fense.”.

13 **SEC. 13. GRANT ACCOUNTABILITY.**

14                 Section 2991 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe  
15 Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa) is amended by  
16 inserting after subsection (k), as so added by section 6,  
17 the following:

18                 “(l) ACCOUNTABILITY.—All grants awarded by the  
19 Attorney General under this section shall be subject to the  
20 following accountability provisions:

21                 “(1) AUDIT REQUIREMENT.—

22                 “(A) DEFINITION.—In this paragraph, the  
23 term ‘unresolved audit finding’ means a finding  
24 in the final audit report of the Inspector Gen-  
25 eral of the Department of Justice that the au-

1 dited grantee has utilized grant funds for an  
2 unauthorized expenditure or otherwise unallow-  
3 able cost that is not closed or resolved within  
4 12 months from the date when the final audit  
5 report is issued.

6 “(B) AUDITS.—Beginning in the first fis-  
7 cal year beginning after the date of enactment  
8 of this subsection, and in each fiscal year there-  
9 after, the Inspector General of the Department  
10 of Justice shall conduct audits of recipients of  
11 grants under this section to prevent waste,  
12 fraud, and abuse of funds by grantees. The In-  
13 spector General shall determine the appropriate  
14 number of grantees to be audited each year.

15 “(C) MANDATORY EXCLUSION.—A recipi-  
16 ent of grant funds under this section that is  
17 found to have an unresolved audit finding shall  
18 not be eligible to receive grant funds under this  
19 section during the first 2 fiscal years beginning  
20 after the end of the 12-month period described  
21 in subparagraph (A).

22 “(D) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants  
23 under this section, the Attorney General shall  
24 give priority to eligible applicants that did not  
25 have an unresolved audit finding during the 3

1                   fiscal years before submitting an application for  
2                   a grant under this section.

3                 “(E) REIMBURSEMENT.—If an entity is  
4                   awarded grant funds under this section during  
5                   the 2-fiscal-year period during which the entity  
6                   is barred from receiving grants under subparagraph  
7                   (C), the Attorney General shall—

8                         “(i) deposit an amount equal to the  
9                         amount of the grant funds that were im-  
10                      properly awarded to the grantee into the  
11                      General Fund of the Treasury; and

12                         “(ii) seek to recoup the costs of the  
13                         repayment to the fund from the grant re-  
14                      cipient that was erroneously awarded grant  
15                      funds.

16                 “(2) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION REQUIRE-  
17                      MENTS.—

18                 “(A) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this  
19                      paragraph and the grant programs under this  
20                      part, the term ‘nonprofit organization’ means  
21                      an organization that is described in section  
22                      501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986  
23                      and is exempt from taxation under section  
24                      501(a) of such Code.

1                 “(B) PROHIBITION.—The Attorney Gen-  
2     eral may not award a grant under this part to  
3     a nonprofit organization that holds money in  
4     offshore accounts for the purpose of avoiding  
5     paying the tax described in section 511(a) of  
6     the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

7                 “(C) DISCLOSURE.—Each nonprofit orga-  
8     nization that is awarded a grant under this sec-  
9     tion and uses the procedures prescribed in regu-  
10    lations to create a rebuttable presumption of  
11    reasonableness for the compensation of its offi-  
12    cers, directors, trustees, and key employees,  
13    shall disclose to the Attorney General, in the  
14    application for the grant, the process for deter-  
15    mining such compensation, including the inde-  
16    pendent persons involved in reviewing and ap-  
17    proving such compensation, the comparability  
18    data used, and contemporaneous substantiation  
19    of the deliberation and decision. Upon request,  
20    the Attorney General shall make the informa-  
21    tion disclosed under this subparagraph available  
22    for public inspection.

23                 “(3) CONFERENCE EXPENDITURES.—

24                 “(A) LIMITATION.—No amounts made  
25    available to the Department of Justice under

1           this section may be used by the Attorney General  
2           or by any individual or entity awarded dis-  
3           cretionary funds through a cooperative agree-  
4           ment under this section, to host or support any  
5           expenditure for conferences that uses more than  
6           \$20,000 in funds made available by the Depart-  
7           ment of Justice, unless the head of the relevant  
8           agency or department, provides prior written  
9           authorization that the funds may be expended  
10          to host the conference.

11           “(B) WRITTEN APPROVAL.—Written ap-  
12           proval under subparagraph (A) shall include a  
13           written estimate of all costs associated with the  
14           conference, including the cost of all food, bev-  
15           erages, audio-visual equipment, honoraria for  
16           speakers, and entertainment.

17           “(C) REPORT.—The Deputy Attorney General  
18           shall submit an annual report to the Com-  
19           mittee on the Judiciary of the Senate and the  
20           Committee on the Judiciary of the House of  
21           Representatives on all conference expenditures  
22           approved under this paragraph.

23           “(4) ANNUAL CERTIFICATION.—Beginning in  
24           the first fiscal year beginning after the date of en-  
25           actment of this subsection, the Attorney General

1 shall submit, to the Committee on the Judiciary and  
2 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and  
3 the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee  
4 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives,  
5 an annual certification—

6                 “(A) indicating whether—

7                     “(i) all audits issued by the Office of  
8 the Inspector General under paragraph (1)  
9 have been completed and reviewed by the  
10 appropriate Assistant Attorney General or  
11 Director;

12                 “(ii) all mandatory exclusions required  
13 under paragraph (1)(C) have been issued;  
14 and

15                 “(iii) all reimbursements required  
16 under paragraph (1)(E) have been made;  
17 and

18                 “(B) that includes a list of any grant re-  
19 cipients excluded under paragraph (1) from the  
20 previous year.

21                 “(m) PREVENTING DUPLICATIVE GRANTS.—

22                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Before the Attorney Gen-  
23 eral awards a grant to an applicant under this sec-  
24 tion, the Attorney General shall compare potential  
25 grant awards with other grants awarded under this

1       Act to determine if duplicate grant awards are  
2       awarded for the same purpose.

3           “(2) REPORT.—If the Attorney General awards  
4       duplicate grants to the same applicant for the same  
5       purpose the Attorney General shall submit to the  
6       Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate and the  
7       Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-  
8       resentatives a report that includes—

9           “(A) a list of all duplicate grants awarded,  
10       including the total dollar amount of any dupli-  
11       cate grants awarded; and

12           “(B) the reason the Attorney General  
13       awarded the duplicate grants.”.

14 **SEC. 14. REAUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

15       Subsection (n) of section 2991 of the Omnibus Crime  
16       Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797aa),  
17       as redesignated by section 4(a), is amended—

18           (1) in paragraph (1)—

19           (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
20       “and” at the end;

21           (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking the  
22       period and inserting “; and”; and

23           (C) by adding at the end the following:

24           “(D) \$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
25       2016 through 2020.”; and

1                   (2) by adding at the end the following:

2                 “(3) LIMITATION.—Not more than 20 percent  
3                 of the funds authorized to be appropriated under  
4                 this section may be used for purposes described in  
5                 subsection (j) (relating to veterans).”.

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